Mr. Chairman, I do not intend to take the 30 minutes. Let me simply explain what is in the motion.

We are about evidently to proceed to spend \$80 to \$100 billion to build a new fighter aircraft, the F-22, to take the place of the F-15 and the F-16. We are being told that the reason we have to do that is because we have sold some 1,700 F-16's to other countries around the world plus a good many F-15's, and so therefore we must develop a new generation fighter aircraft.

We are told that we have to proceed to do this because we sold so many F-15's and F-16's to other countries around the world that we have to build a new generation aircraft in order to

regain our technology edge.

All this amendment says is that if indeed we are going to proceed to build the F-22 and spend \$80 to \$100 billion on that project to regain that technology edge that we ought to keep that technology at home and we ought not then sell that advanced technology to other countries. We are already being told that the contractor for the new F-22 is already talking about fully marketing that technology abroad. That is how we got into this problem in the first place.

Mr. Speaker, it seems to me if we want to stop chasing our tail, we will adopt this amendment and simply spell out that if we are going to spend \$80 to \$100 billion in order to regain a technology edge around the world, we are not then going to sell off that technology to other countries. That is all the amendment says, and I would simply suggest that if we do not do that. we will be back here in 10 years having to supply more money to replace the F-22 with an F-44, and 10 years after that replace it with an F-88 because we will have given away our technology edge time and time again. If we are going to spend taxpayers' money, we ought to keep the benefit of that technology here at home.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of

my time.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I would announce to our colleagues in the House that it is my intention to support all of the provisions in H.R. 2266 that the House agreed to when we go to conference. The matter that the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. OBEY] has made a motion to instruct is part of that bill, and I would advise him that we intend to support that provision in the bill in conference, and we support his motion.

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield back my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to instruct.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. Obey].

The motion was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees: Messrs. Young of Florida, McDADE, LEWIS of California, SKEEN, HOBSON, BONILLA, NETHERCUTT. ISTOOK, CUNNINGHAM, LIVINGSTON, MUR-THA, DICKS, HEFNER, SABO, DIXON, VIS-CLOSKY, and OBEY.

There was no objection.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2266, Department of Defense Appropriations Act for fiscal year

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

MOTION TO CLOSE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON H.R. 2266, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I offer a motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Young of Florida moves, pursuant to rule XXVIII, clause 6(a) of the House rules, that the conference meetings between the House and the Senate on the bill H.R. 2266, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, be closed to the public at such times as classified national security information is under consideration: Provided, however, That any sitting Member of Congress shall have the right to attend any closed or open meeting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by gentleman from Florida Mr. the YOUNG.

Pursuant to clause 6(a) of rule XXVII this question must be determined by the yeas and nays.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 420, nays 4, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 354]

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